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**ABSTRACT:**

CHG DATE=19990617 STATUS=0>A portable desk top "medical waste" fragmentation device and disposal system (10), complying with governmental requirements of maximum residual fragment size and sanitization. The fragmentation device (10) includes a chamber (11a) having a rotating blade (20) for fragmenting medical waste such as needles, syringes, vials and extracted teeth. For maximum effectiveness in reducing the medical waste into the requisite fragment size, the blade (20), with minimal clearance, passes between a U-shaped stationary member (22). During operation, the U-shaped member (22) serves to momentarily hold the items to be fragmented in a stationary position as the blade (20) fragments it in a shearing-

type action. To ensure complete minimum size fragmentation, an agitating member (21) continually throws the fragments into the path of the rotating blade (20). After the fragmentation is completed to the requisite size, the fragmentation chamber (11a) is opened into a disposal chute (15). The fragmented particles are drawn by centripetal force through the disposal chute (15) into a removable and disposable receptacle (23) having a sterilization or germicidal solution (24) contained therein. The disposable receptacle (23), with sanitized waste, can thereafter be safely and legally thrown away as ordinary trash.

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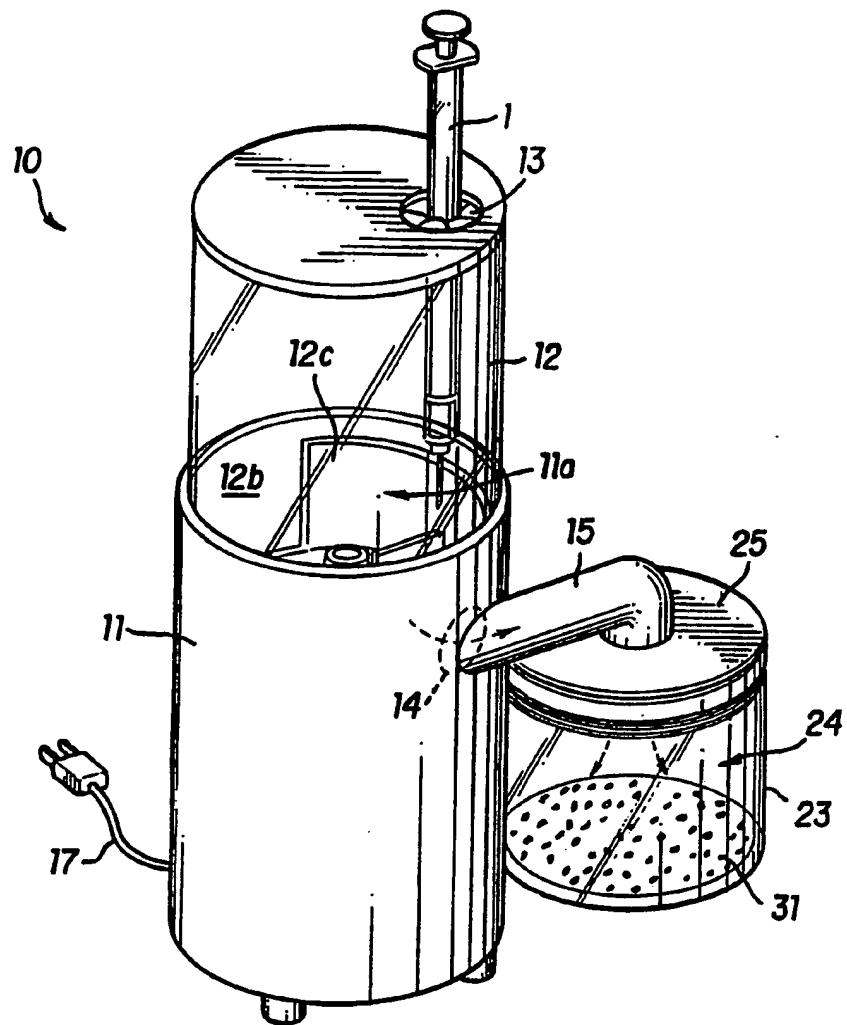


FIG. 1

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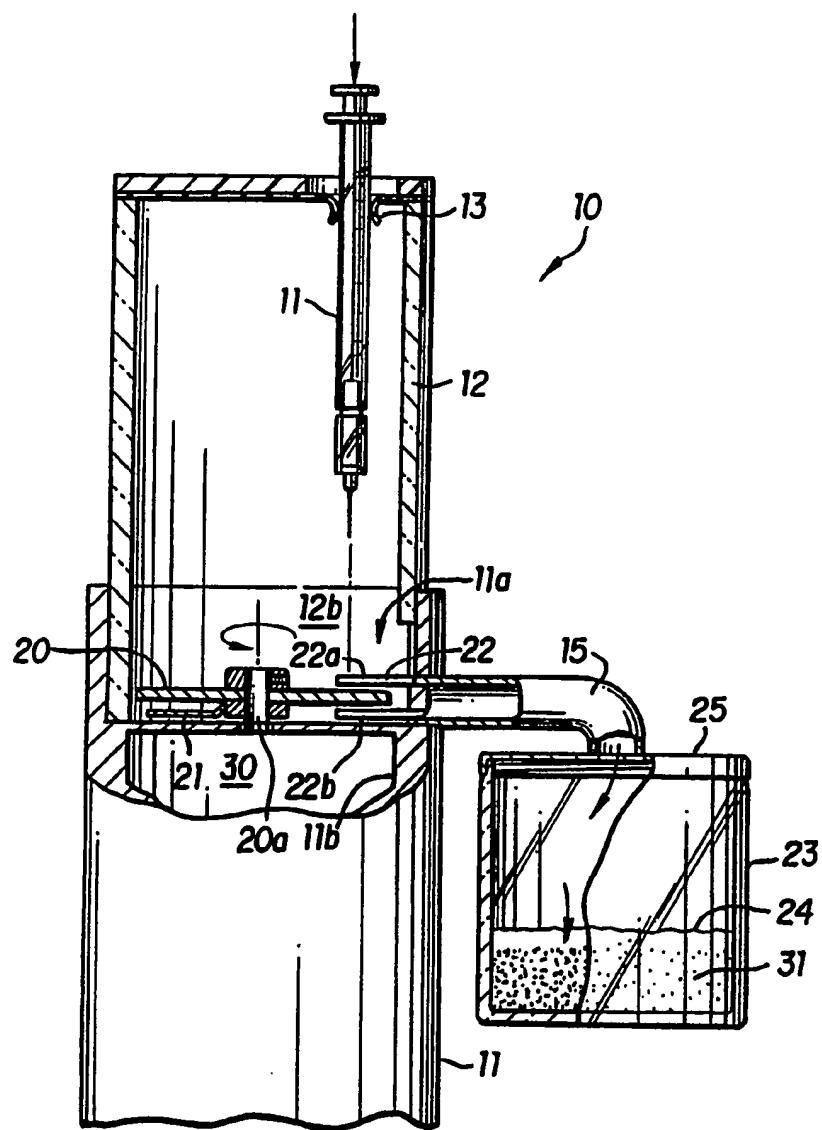


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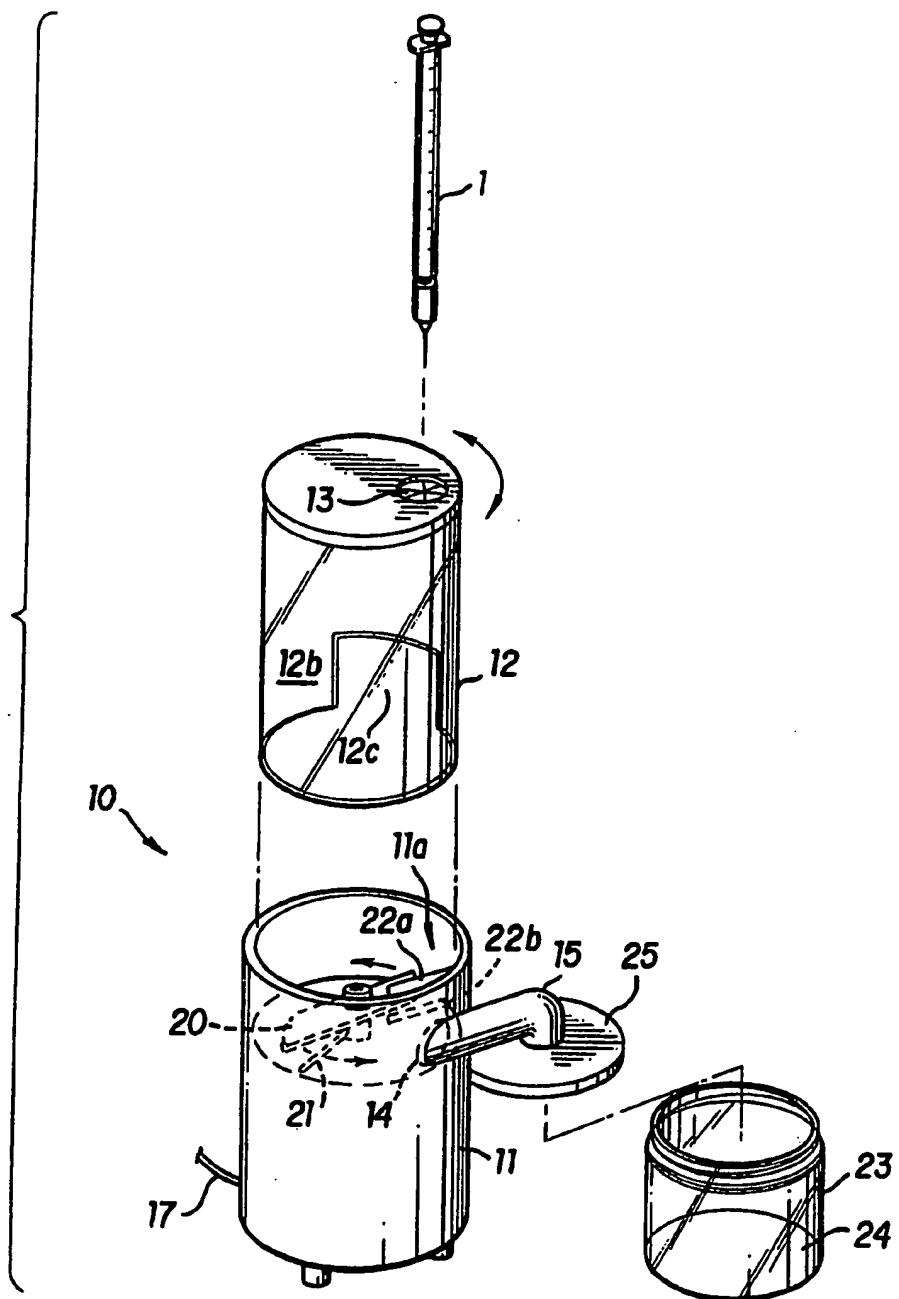
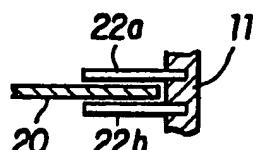
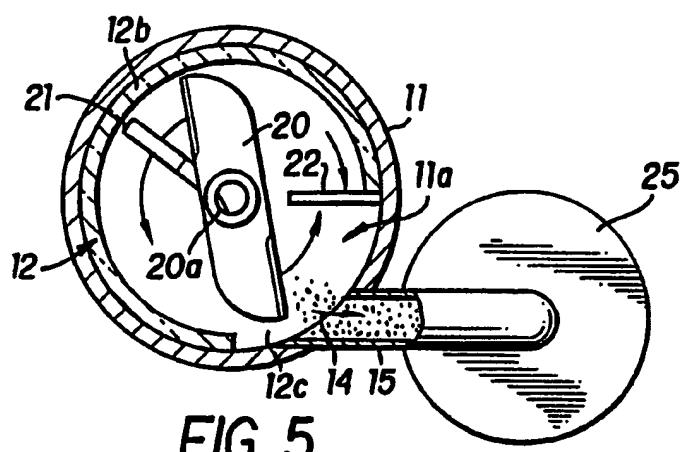
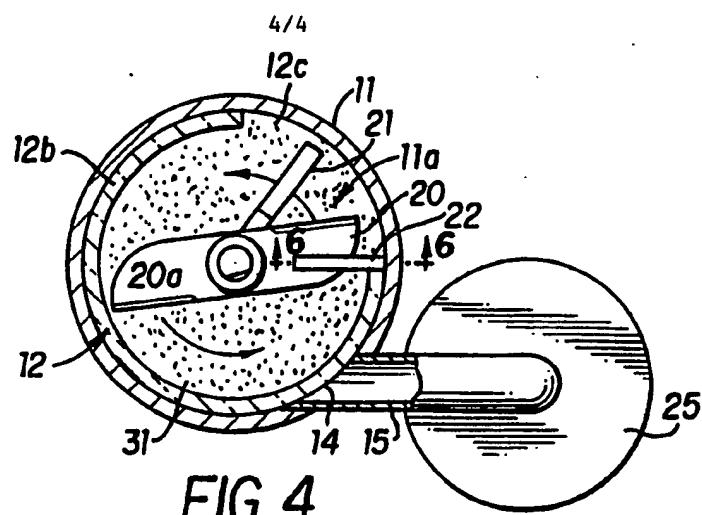


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# INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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